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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7467

BILL NUMBER: HB 1577

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 13, 2013

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Termination of Charter School Board.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. VanDenburgh

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill eliminates the Charter School Board. It transfers sponsorship of charter schools authorized by the Charter School Board to the Mayor of Indianapolis, if the charter school is located in Marion County, the charter school is not a virtual charter school, and the mayor accepts sponsorship of the school. The bill provides that if the mayor does not accept sponsorship, sponsorship is transferred to Ball State University.

Effective Date: May 15, 2013 (retroactive).

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill would eliminate the Charter School Board and transfer the oversight of the three charter schools approved by the Board to either the Mayor of Indianapolis or Ball State University. The three charter schools began operation with the 2012-13 school year. The Board currently has two staff members with expenses of about \$250,000 annually. The bill would reduce the Department of Education's expenditures and fees collected by the organizers of the charter schools.

The Mayor of Indianapolis and Ball State University would have additional administrative costs to monitor the additional charter schools.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *See Explanation of State Expenditures.*

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Education; Ball State University.

Local Agencies Affected: Mayor of Indianapolis.

Information Sources:

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